

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at **page 1, line 18**, and insert the following rewritten paragraph:

According to a hem machining apparatus disclosed in Patent Document 1, for example, as shown in FIG. 21, a workpiece W in the form of an automobile body side is conveyed along a production line 6, and hem dies 7a through 7f, three in each of two locations, corresponding to various body sides are disposed on one side of the production line 6. A die feed robot 8 is disposed between the hem dies 7a through 7c and the hem dies ~~7c~~7d through 7f. The die feed robot 8 selectively holds either one of the hem dies 7a through 7f for the workpiece W, and machines the workpiece W with the selected hem die.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at **page 20, line 19**, and insert the following rewritten paragraph:

Then, as shown in FIG. 14, the machining mechanism 42 is lifted in the direction indicated by the arrow ~~C1~~C2 by the articulated robot 34 to set the workpiece rest die 94 to a predetermined height. As shown in FIG. 15, the second cylinder 78 is operated to elevate the workpiece guide 85 in the direction indicated by the arrow ~~C1~~C2 to set the workpiece guide 85 to a predetermined height.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at **page 22, line 4**, and insert the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 17, the third cylinder 96 is actuated to lift the workpiece bending die 104 in the direction indicated by the arrow ~~C~~C2 to bend the flange 5. The nonmetallic pad 84 provided in a workpiece abutment region 119 of the workpiece guide 85 can protect and guide the side panel. As a result, the side panel is prevented from being damaged when it is bent.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at **page 23, line 2**, and insert the following rewritten paragraph:

The flange 5 that is guided by the workpiece guide 85 and rests in the workpiece rest die 94 is bent by the workpiece bending die ~~106~~104 as the workpiece bending means.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at **page 24, line 5**, and insert the following rewritten paragraph:

The hydraulic third cylinder 96 is employed for lifting and lowering the workpiece bending die ~~106~~104. However, the invention is not limited to the illustrated embodiment, but a lifting and lowering means such as an electric motor, an air cylinder, or the like may be employed.